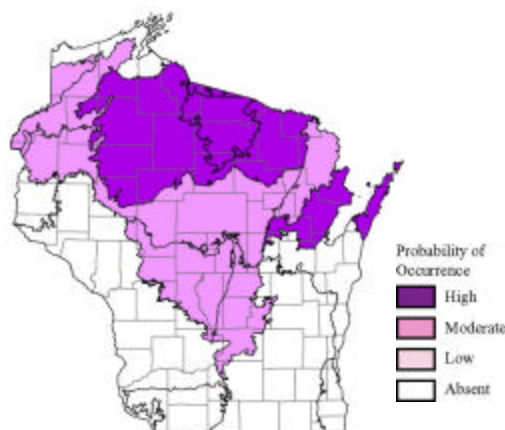


Northern Goshawk (*Accipiter gentilis*)

Species Assessment Scores*

State rarity:	4
State threats:	3
State population trend:	3
Global abundance:	4
Global distribution:	1
Global threats:	3
Global population trend:	3
Mean Risk Score:	3
Area of importance:	2

* Please see the [Description of Vertebrate Species Summaries \(Section 3.1.1\)](#) for definitions of criteria and scores.



Ecological Landscape Associations

Please note that this is not a range map. Shading does not imply that the species is present throughout the Landscape, but represents the probability that the species occurs somewhere in the Landscape.

Landscape-community Combinations of Highest Ecological Priority

Ecological Landscape	Community
Central Sand Plains	Northern mesic forest
Central Sand Plains	White pine-red maple swamp
Forest Transition	Northern mesic forest
North Central Forest	Boreal forest
North Central Forest	Hardwood swamp
North Central Forest	Northern dry-mesic forest
North Central Forest	Northern mesic forest
North Central Forest	Northern wet-mesic forest
Northeast Sands	Northern dry-mesic forest
Northeast Sands	Northern mesic forest
Northern Highland	Northern dry-mesic forest
Northern Highland	Northern mesic forest
Northern Lake Michigan Coastal	Boreal forest
Northern Lake Michigan Coastal	Northern dry-mesic forest
Northern Lake Michigan Coastal	Northern mesic forest
Northern Lake Michigan Coastal	Northern wet-mesic forest
Northwest Lowlands	Northern mesic forest
Northwest Sands	Northern dry-mesic forest

Threats and Issues

- Forest management activities that do not follow guidelines for goshawk management have the potential to affect nesting success and, hence, population levels of this species.
- Human use of forest roads and trails near nest sites during the breeding and nesting seasons may disturb goshawks and cause them to abandon nests and possibly territories.
- Lead poisoning in addition to anticoagulant rodenticides may pose a threat.
- Existing data regarding Northern Goshawks are not sufficient to evaluate a population trend anywhere in North America.

Priority Conservation Actions

- Follow sustainable forest management guidelines for Northern Goshawk (Woodford 2004).
- Educate the public regarding Northern Goshawk populations and conservation.
- Evaluate and monitor lead levels in birds.
- Implementation of a bioregional monitoring design may provide the data needed to complete a status assessment of Northern Goshawk in Wisconsin.